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LIST OF OFFICERS

FOR THE YEAR 1869.

Commodore:

EUGENE CHINIC.

Vice-Commodore:

A. JNO. MAXHAM.

Captain:

T. A. GREGOR.

Secretary-Treasurer:

JOHN SHAW.

Sailing Committee:

E. W. SEWELL, Chairman;

JOHN DAWE,

JOHN S. BUDDEN,

GABRIEL VALIN, JR., W. D. CAMPBELL.

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CLUB YACHTS--1869.

NAMES.	TONS.	OWNERS.
1. Falcon.....	17	E. C. Fry.
2. Mouette	21	{ E. Chinic. A. R. Angers.
3. Black Hawk.....	19	Jas. Gibb, Junr.
4. Richard.....	22	E. O. Richard.
5. Wasp.....	22	{ L. McKay. H. Warner.
6. Taon.....	22	N. Rosa.
7. Ruby.....	21	H. Dinning.
8. L'Emerillon.....	22	C. Têtu.
9. Dauntless.....	26	F. Lachance.
10. Shannon	21	{ William Home. W. W. Scott. J. W. Henry. Chas. McKenzie. J. F. Turnbull. John Home.

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CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

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QUEBEC YACHT CLUB

1. The name of the Club shall be the "Quebec Yacht Club".
2. The objects of the Club shall be to promote the interests of Yachting and sailing on the River St. Lawrence, and to provide for the necessary expenses of the Club in the purchase of boats, to be sailed for by its members, and to provide for the necessary expenses of the Club in the purchase of boats, to be sailed for by its members.

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II.

OBJECT OF THE CLUB.

That the object of this Club being the encouragement of Yacht building and sailing in the St. Lawrence waters: It is enacted that the proceeds of this Club (after paying the necessary expenses) be appropriated to the purchase of Prizes, to be sailed for by Yachts the property of members only under the sailing regulations of the Club.

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VI.

DUTY OF THE CAPTAIN.

It shall be the duty of the Captain to assist the Commodore and Vice-Commodore in the discharge of their duties, and officiate in their absence.

VII.

DUTY OF THE SECRETARY.

It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a true record of the proceedings of all meetings of the Club in the Minute Book.

To keep a correct roll of all members.

To keep a correct list of the name, dimensions, rig, and owner of each Yacht enrolled in the Club.

To notify each member elected of his election.

To have books of Bye-Laws and Sailing Regulations printed as directed by the Club for the use of the members.

In case of inability to attend any meeting, he shall cause the necessary books and papers to be conveyed to the place of meeting.

VIII.

DUTY OF THE TREASURER.

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive all moneys due the Club, pay all bills contracted, subject to the approval of the Club, keeping proper vouchers and accounts of the same. The Secretary may act as Treasurer, if appointed by the Club.

IX.

JOINING MEMBERS.

That any gentleman wishing to become a member of the Club, shall be proposed by one and seconded by another member at a

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meeting, and be ballotted for at the ensuing one; one black ball out of three shall exclude; and that in the event of any ungentlemanlike and unbecoming conduct, the Club shall have the power to expel any member by ballot at a meeting, notice of which shall be given in circulars convening that meeting, and that the majority be in the proportion of three to two to expel any such member. Honorary Members to be elected by vote or acclamation.

X.

F E E S .

That every gentleman, on becoming a member, shall pay an entrance fee of \$2, and an annual subscription of \$1, which subscription shall be payable in April, at the first regular meeting; and, if not paid within three months, to be struck off the list of members.

XI.

ARREARS OF DUES.

That no member shall be allowed to take part in any proceeding of the Club, or vote on any subject connected therewith, until he shall have paid all arrears and subscriptions which may be due to the Club by him, nor shall any Yacht, whose owner or owners, or any of them, be in any way indebted to the Club, be allowed to enter or sail in any Club matches.

XII.

M E E T I N G S .

That the Regular Meetings of this Club shall take place on the first Monday of every month, at 8 P.M., from April to December, inclusive; that the Commodore, or, in his absence, the Vice-Commodore or Captain, may call Special Meetings when required.

Five members shall constitute a quorum for business.

XIII.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Order of business shall be as follows:—

1. Reading of minutes of last meeting, which shall stand approved, unless corrected.
2. Collection of dues.
3. Reports of Committees or Treasurer.
4. Election of members.
5. Miscellaneous business.
6. Adjournment.

XIV.

RULES OF ORDER.

Any member wishing to speak shall rise and address the Chair. If two or more members shall claim the floor at the same time, the Chair shall decide who is entitled to it.

XV.

MOTIONS.

All motions or resolutions must be made in writing.

XVI.

LIMITATION OF DEBATE.

No member shall speak more than twice upon the same question, without permission of the Chair.

XVII.

EXEMPTIONS.

That the Secretary and Treasurer shall be exempted from all dues or assessments.

XVIII.

SMOKING, &c., PROHIBITED.

After a business meeting is called to order, smoking and all games shall cease.

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XIX.

SAILING COMMITTEE.

That a Committee, consisting of Five members, (not officers or Yacht-owners) shall be appointed, to be called the "Sailing Committee." Three to form a quorum. That this Committee shall have full power in everything connected with Club Matches, both as to starting and deciding the same; they shall decide all disputes or protests; their decisions shall be final.

XX.

SAILING DAY.

That the Yachts of the Club do assemble at the rendez-vous [Custom House Steps] once in each month from May to October inclusive, and sail thence under a leader previously selected by lot, which lots shall be drawn at the regular meeting in April. Yacht-owners taking precedence, the day to be named at the first meeting in each month. Such attendance to be imperative, under a fine of \$1 to each Yacht absent.

Yachts to keep their position until the rendez-vous flag be lowered, which flag shall consist of four alternate squares of blue and white, no member being permitted to hoist the flag except when leading.

XXI.

LEAD FOR SAILING DAYS.

That any member prevented leading shall forfeit his turn, the lead to devolve on the Senior Officer present or such member as he may select, and that the Senior Officer at each meeting hand to the Secretary a list of all the Yachts present thereat.

XXII.

RESPONSIBLE FOR CONDUCT OF CREW.

That with a view to avoid as much as possible all disputes or unpleasant jesting, also to prevent accidents from careless steering, or from malicious intent, whether on the part of hired hands or otherwise, all owners of Club Boats shall be accountable to the Club for the language and conduct of every individual in their respective boats, and this rule shall be in force whether the owner be on board or not.

XXIII.

REGISTER OF BOATS.

That an accurate register be kept for the inspection of members of all the owners of Club Boats, with names of boats, distinguishing flag and tonnage, according to report of Sailing Committee for each year. Said register to be kept by the Secretary.

XXIV.

Each Yacht shall have a number in the register and shall be known thereby, but no vessel shall be enrolled in the Club that is let for hire or used for business purposes.

XXV.

To constitute a Club Boat, it is necessary that she be duly enrolled, registered and measured by the Sailing Committee, and that at least one of her owners be a member of the Club.

XXVI.

YACHTS WHEN SOLD.

Any member buying or selling a yacht, or any part of one, shall notify the Secretary within thirty days; and any yacht so bought shall be duly enrolled and numbered, or, if sold, her name shall be erased from the squadron if one of her purchasers be not a member of the Club.

XXVII.

Any member of the Club owning a part of any Yacht which may be enrolled as aforesaid, and carrying the Club Flag, shall be responsible that the other owners shall respect and obey the regulations of the Club so long as the signal shall be carried by her.

XXVIII.

CLUB FLAG.

That each Boat shall be provided with a Club Flag, which shall be a Blue Ensign, with a Beaver in yellow on the Fly.

XXIX.

That the Commodore's Flag be a White Pennant and Blue Beaver.

XXX.

That the Vice-Commodore's Flag be White Pennant, Blue Beaver and two red balls at hoist.

XXXI.

That the Captain's Flag be a White Pennant, Blue Beaver and a red ball at hoist.

The said Flags to be the property of the Club.

XXXII.

That Yachts with slip-keels or centre-boards shall be permitted to carry their keels at the option of the Sailing Masters.

XXXIII.

ENTRANCE FOR RACE.

That the usual entrance for all club matches be five shillings for each boat, which must be paid to the Secretary-Treasurer, and the boat entered at latest the day previous to the race, and that no race shall take place unless two boats be entered and two start.

XXXIV.

ALLOWANCE FOR TONNAGE.

That all Club matches be time matches, half a minute per ton being allowed over any course under thirty miles in length, but one minute per ten in any course of thirty miles or over.

XXXV.

MEASURING YACHTS.

That the Yachts of this Club shall be measured by the following rule: The length to be taken from the fore part of the stem to the after part of the stern post; the breadth to be taken on the broadest part of the boat, from the outside of the outside plank on one side, to the outside of the outside plank on the other

side, that the said breadth shall be deducted from the said length, and the remainder having been multiplied by the breadth and the product of same multiplied by half the breadth, and the product divided by 94, the quotient so given shall be esteemed the just tonnage, which shall be rated by the next half ton above any fraction which may occur in such quotient. It shall be the duty of the Sailing Committee to measure all Yachts enrolled according to the above rule. Said measurements to be final, when reported to the Club.

XXXVI.

Protests to be rendered within 24 hours after the start, otherwise not to be received.

XXXVII.

Any of the rules of order may be suspended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, but such suspension shall terminate with the meeting.

XXXVIII.

That no motion to add, alter or amend any Club Rule shall be entertained, unless notice thereof be given at a regular meeting.

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SAILING REGULATIONS.

I.

CLUB MATCHES.

That all Club-matches be under the full direction of the Sailing Committee. They shall act as Judges, start the Yachts, time their return, and report to the Club. That when an equal number of the Sailing Committee are acting, they shall appoint another member of the Club (not a Yacht-owner), who shall act with them and have a vote.

II.

STATIONS.

That the Stations shall be drawn for the evening before the start by the parties entering the Yachts, or, in their absence, by the Secretary, or some other person appointed by them. That No. 1 be next the Stake Boat.

III.

FLAGS.

That all Yachts sailing in a match shall hoist their respective distinguishing flags, at the mast head, which flag shall be hauled down by any Yacht giving up the race.

IV.

START FOR RACE.

That all Yachts shall be moored at their stations a quarter of an hour after the signal shall be given by the manager of the race, half an hour before the time named for the start.

That the signal for stations and starting shall be made by firing a gun at such places as he may deem convenient, and that the Yachts at the stations shall have all their sails completely down.

V.

CLUB COURSE.

That the Club Course shall be around Madame Island Buoy, or such other course as the Club may decide at any of its meetings.

VI.

OWNERSHIP OF THE CUP.

That the winner of the Club Cup, before obtaining possession of the same, shall give security to the satisfaction of the Sailing Committee for the due and safe return of the same by the first day of September in each year, in a proper state of repair and uninjured; said security to be handed over to the Treasurer; and that the winning of it by the same Boat for two consecutive years shall constitute ownership.

VII.

YACHTS CROSSING EACH OTHER.

That Yachts on the port tack shall give way to those on the starboard, Boats going free to those on a wind. No Yacht shall be permitted to cross another, either to windward or leeward, to prevent the other from passing her; and that the windward side is the tack.

VIII.

MEMBER ON BOARD.

That every Yacht sailing in any Club Match shall have a Member of the Club on board, and that Member shall be accountable for the fair sailing of such Boat.

IX.

SAVING LIFE.

Any Boat giving up her chance of the race to save life, can demand that the race be sailed again; and the Sailing Committee shall decide whether there was sufficient ground for her so giving up, but in such case only that Boat and the winner shall start.

X.

COURSE RE-SAILED.

In the event of any race having to be sailed over again, the boats must start the second time from the same place and stations,

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with the same amount of ballast as at first, to the satisfaction of the Sailing Committee, and with the same sails unaltered; unless when direct injury to any sail shall have rendered repairs unavoidable.

XI.

That no poles or sweeps, or other means, except sails, be used during a race to accelerate the speed of a boat, nor shall any ballast be shipped or unshipped during a race.

XII.

That no Yacht shall be allowed to touch, either with her hull or any portion of her spars, rigging or sails, any buoy or other mark of the course.

XIII.

ROUNDING BUOYS OR MARKS.

In approaching with a view to round any part of the course, no Yacht coming up to another shall be permitted to attempt to pass between it and the said mark, unless she can do so clearly ahead of that other, which shall not be thereby required to go out of her course to make room for the boat so coming up. The boat nearest to any buoy or other mark of the course which it is approaching, shall be deemed the headmost boat; and any boat coming up to her must sail so as not to force her to touch such buoy, or mark, to avoid collision; and in the event of a breach of this rule, the boat so forced shall not incur a penalty.

XIV.

RECEIVING PERSONS ON BOARD.

That no Boat shall receive on board any person or persons during a race, over and above those with whom she started, unless she does so to save life.

XV.

That during a match, should any Yacht engaged therein run aground or foul of any vessel, she shall be allowed to shore or warp off.

XVI.

That any Yachts having been disabled by foul sailing on the part of another Yacht, or having valid cause of complaint, may hoist the Club Ensign in lieu of her distinguishing flag as a signal of protest, and make known the protest to the Sailing Committee 24 hours after arrival.

XVII.

That any race of 50 miles or under must be performed in a time not exceeding 8 hours, otherwise to be null. Club course around Madame I. B. to be computed as 50.

XVIII.

Sails allowed in Regattas :

Sloops—Jib, or storm jib, mainsail, gaff-topsail, square-topsail, squaresail.

Cutters—Jib, staysail, mainsail, gaff-topsail, square-topsail, squaresail.

Schooners—Jib, staysail, foresail, mainsail, gaff-topsail, square-topsail, squaresail.

Bowsprits to be kept down and tacks of jibs fast.

XIX.

Nothing but the hand lead to be used in sounding.

XX.

Yachts may come to an anchor during a match, provided they afterwards weigh anchor.

XXI.

Yachts shall carry at least one Life Preserver.

XXII.

VIOLATION OF REGULATIONS.

That any Boat violating any of these Regulations, shall be ruled out of the race during which such violation shall have occurred.



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Quebec Yacht Club.

LIST OF MEMBERS.-1869.

Angers, A. R.

Blakiston, R.

Budden, J. S.

Brouard, James.

Bew, J. J.

Benson, E. C.

Beckett, Thos.

Blanchette, Jean.

Budden, Heber.

Blais, Jacques.

Boxer, C. A.

Balfour, G. H.

Brimmecombe, W. H.

Breaque, Wm.

Campbell, W. D.

Chinic, Eugene, (*Commodore.*)

Casault, N.

Colston, J. G.

Coker, C. R.

Chalmers, Jas.

Dawe, John.

Dinning, Henry.

Duval, Geo.

Duval, E. H.

Dunn, L. H.

Evanturel, Hon. F.

Fry, E. C.

Ferguson, James.

Ferguson, Joseph.

Falkenberg, Baron.

Fortin, P., M.P.

Gibson, J. F.

Gingras, Louis.

Gibb, James, Jr.

Gregor, Thos. A., (*Captain.*)

Gregory, T. J.

Grant, T. H.

Huot, P. G., M.P.

Home, Wm.

Hammond, H. C.

Horan, John.

Housman, F. G.

Hunter, Thos.

Home, John.

Irvine, Hon. Geo.

Jarvis, John.

Jeffery, Geo. J.

Jeffery, Henry.

Julien, Jos.

Jobin, Chas.

Joncas, Chas.

Kennedy, Oliver.

Lachance, F.

Langlois, Jean.

Lemesurier, Wm. F.

Laird, Jos. U.

Louis, Jos., Junr.

Langlois, Chas.

McCallum, Danl., Jr.

McKenzie, Chas.

McLeod, D. R.

Montizambert, C. E.

McKay, L.

Maxham, Aug.

McFarland, Dr.

Maxham, A. J., (*Vice-Commodore.*)

Mills, F. H.

Mercier, Geo.

Murphy, John.

MacAdams, W. J.

McGie, Allen.

Matte, J. E.

Noonan, Donald.

Norris, Thos., Jr.

Neilson, John.

O'Connor, C. R.

O'Kane, Wm.

Oliver, Jas. E.

Piddington, T. A.

Poulin, Ed.

Reeve, Col. T. J.

Richard, E. O.

Ruel, A. G.

Reid, James.

Rosa, Narcisse.

Rennie, J. B.

Scott, W. W.

Shaw, Jno. (*Secy.-Treas.*)

Sewell, E. W.

Shaw, James.

Turnbull, J. F.

Tetu, Laurent.

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Townsend, John.

Thomson, John C.

Valin, G., Senr.

Vallin, G., Junr.

Warner, H.

White, Peter.

Wright, T. H.

Walcott, H. T.

Wilkie, Chas.

MEMORANDUM.

Treas.)